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EXPANSION OF SUBSIDIZED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMMING

In May 2009 through September 2010, the Los Angeles County (County) Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) led the nation's efforts to provide employment opportunities to disadvantaged adults and youths through the use of the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Emergency Contingency Fund. With over 10,000 subsidized jobs generated, DPSS became the solution so desperately needed by thousands of the County's most needy families seeking job opportunities during the nation's economic downturn. Through a smaller-scale program, DPSS has continued its subsidized employment program, creating jobs that provide participants the skills and experience needed for economic and social advancement.

The final adopted fiscal year 2013-14 State budget allocated additional funding to counties to expand subsidized employment programs as one of the ongoing Welfare-to-Work early engagement strategies. This Expanded Subsidized Employment funding may be utilized for subsidized wages and operational costs including the cost of over-

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seeing the program, developing work sites, and providing training to participants. It is estimated that this will allow the creation of 1,800 additional subsidized employment jobs in FY 2013-14. For FY 2013-14, Los Angeles County's Expanded Subsidized Employment allocation is \$10.8 million, and is estimated to be \$21.6 million annually in FY 2014-15 and beyond, since the State Budget only includes half-year funding for FY 2013-14.

In response to direction from the Board of Supervisors on June 24, 2013, DPSS developed a plan to take full advantage of any funding available for the purpose of subsidized employment. In order to implement that plan and expand programs as allowed by the State, an expeditious amendment is required for the current contract between DPSS and the City of Inglewood which is scheduled to expire on February 29, 2016.

WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to prepare and execute amendments to its Welfare-to-Work Vocational Intermediary and Direct Services contract (#WTW13-001) with the City of Inglewood to reflect: (1) Expanded Subsidized Employment funding for FY 2013-14, 2014-15, and 2015-16, as it becomes available from the State; and (2) funding from DPSS and DCFS for subsidized employment for Probation and DCFS youth and other transition age youth.

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2. Direct the Director of DPSS to notify the Board of Supervisors in writing within ten days prior to the execution of any such contract amendment.

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